

Amendments to the Claims

Please replace the Claims as shown below:

1. (currently amended) A method comprising:
a server computer receiving a ~~first request~~ request from a first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder for a television show;
said server computer locating a ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder capable of receiving a broadcast of said television show that satisfies said ~~first request~~ request;
said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder receiving a programming instruction from said server computer to record said television show when broadcast by a television content provider, after said server computer locating said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder;
said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder recording said television show during broadcast of said television show by said television content provider, after said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder receiving said programming instruction; and
said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder receiving said television show recorded by said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder.
2. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder adding said programming instruction to its programmable task list.
3. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder receiving an electronic programming guide ~~(EPG)~~ guide from said server computer.
4. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 3 wherein said electronic programming guide comprises worldwide television programming.

5. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 wherein said programming instruction comprises an Internet Protocol (IP) address of said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder.

6. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder transmitting a television show search topic to said server computer.

7. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 wherein said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder, server computer, and digital ~~second~~ personalized video recorder are coupled via the Internet.

8. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 ~~wherein said first receiver device comprises a television Internet box~~ further comprising:
utilizing an electronic programming guide to transmit said request to said server computer.

9. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 ~~wherein said first receiver device comprises a computer~~ further comprising:
said first personalized video recorder storing said television show recorded by said second personalized video recorder.

10. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 ~~wherein said first receiver device comprises a set-top box~~ further comprising:
said first personalized video recorder notifying that said television show has been received.

11. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim ~~1~~ Claim 10 wherein said ~~first receiver device~~ comprises a second digital video recorder first personalized

video recorder notifying that said television show has been received comprises outputting a message to a display device.

12. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising:

said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder transmitting said television show recorded by it to said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder.

13. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising:

said server computer receiving said television show recorded by said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder and transmitting it to said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder.

14. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 1 further comprising:

a cache server computer receiving and storing said television show recorded by said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder; and

said cache server transmitting a ~~first copy~~ copy of said television show recorded by said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder to said first ~~receiver device~~ personalized video recorder.

15. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 14 further comprising:

in response to said server computer receiving a second request from a ~~second receiver~~ receiver device for said television show, said cache server transmitting a second copy of said television show recorded by said ~~digital~~ second personalized video recorder to said ~~second receiver~~ receiver device.

16. (currently amended) A computer readable medium having computer readable code embodied therein for causing a system to perform a method comprising:
a server computer receiving a ~~first request~~ request from a ~~first receiver~~ receiver device for a television show;

said server computer locating a ~~set-top-box~~ plurality of digital video recorders capable of receiving a broadcast of said television show that satisfies said ~~first request~~ request;

~~said set-top-box~~ each of said plurality of digital video recorders receiving a programming instruction from said server computer to record said television show when broadcast by a television content provider, after said server computer locating said ~~set-top-box~~ plurality of digital video recorders;

~~said set-top-box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders recording said television show during broadcast of said television show by said television content provider, after said ~~set-top-box~~ each of said plurality of digital video recorders receiving said programming instruction; and

said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device receiving said television show recorded by said ~~set-top-box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders.

17. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 further comprising ~~said set-top-box~~ each of said plurality of digital video recorders adding said programming instruction to its programmable task list.

18. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 further comprising said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device receiving an electronic programming guide ~~(EPG)~~ guide from said server computer.

19. (previously presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 18 wherein said electronic programming guide comprises worldwide television programming.

20. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 wherein said programming instruction comprises an Internet Protocol (IP) address of said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device.

21. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 further comprising said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device transmitting a television show search topic to said server computer.

22. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 wherein said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device, server computer, and ~~set-top-box~~ plurality of digital video recorders are coupled via the Internet.

23. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 wherein said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device comprises a television Internet box.

24. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 wherein said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device comprises a computer.

25. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 wherein said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device comprises a ~~second~~ set-top-box.

26. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 wherein said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device comprises a digital video recorder.

27. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 further comprising:

said ~~set-top-box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders transmitting said television show recorded by it to said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device.

28. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 further comprising:

said server computer receiving said television show recorded by said ~~set-top-box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders and transmitting it to said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device.

29. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 16 further comprising:

a cache server computer receiving and storing said television show recorded by said ~~set-top-box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders; and

said cache server transmitting a ~~first copy~~ copy of said television show recorded by said ~~set-top-box~~ to said ~~first receiver~~ receiver device.

30. (currently amended) The computer readable medium of Claim 29 further comprising:

in response to said server computer receiving a second request from a second receiver device for said television show, said cache server transmitting a second copy of said television show ~~recorded by said set-top-box~~ to said second receiver device.

31. (currently amended) A method comprising:

a server computer receiving a request from a receiver device for a television show;

said server computer locating a ~~television-Internet-box~~ plurality of digital video recorders capable of receiving a broadcast of said television show that satisfies said request;

~~said television-Internet-box~~ each of said plurality of digital video recorders receiving a programming instruction from said server computer to record said television show when broadcast by a television content provider, after said server computer locating said ~~television-Internet-box~~ plurality of digital video recorders;

~~said television Internet box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders recording said television show during broadcast of said television show by said television content provider, after said ~~television Internet box~~ each of said plurality of digital video recorders receiving said programming instruction; and

said receiver device receiving said television show recorded by said ~~television Internet box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders, wherein said receiver device, server computer, and television Internet box are coupled via the Internet.

32. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 31 further comprising ~~said television Internet box~~ each of said plurality of digital video recorders adding said programming instruction to its programmable task list.

33. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 31 further comprising said receiver device receiving an electronic programming ~~guide (EPG)~~ guide from said server computer.

34. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 33 wherein said electronic programming guide comprises worldwide television programming.

35. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 31 wherein said programming instruction comprises an Internet Protocol (IP) address of said receiver device.

36. (previously presented) The method as described in Claim 31 wherein said receiver device comprises a digital video recorder.

37. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 31 further comprising:

a cache server computer receiving and storing said television show recorded by said ~~television Internet box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders; and

said cache server transmitting a first copy of said television show ~~recorded by~~
~~said television Internet box~~ to said receiver device.

38. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 31 further
comprising:

~~said television Internet box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders
transmitting said ~~media content recorded by it~~ television show to said receiver device.

39. (currently amended) The method as described in Claim 31 further
comprising:

said server computer receiving said ~~media content~~ television show recorded by
~~said television Internet box~~ at least one of said plurality of digital video recorders and
transmitting it to said receiver device.